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SUBJECT: SUDAN' S PRESS COVERAGE

JOINT STATE/ USIA MESSAGE.

1. PRESIDENT NIMAIRI APPARENTLY HAS SENT " AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ARAB KINGS AND HEADS OF STATES CONCERNING A UNITED ARAB ACTION, NATURE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN ARAB NATIONS AND LIMITS OF COMMANDO ACTIVITIES INSIDE THE ARAB WORLD," IT WAS REPORTED BY FONMIN DR. MANSOUR KHALID IN TODAY' S AL AYAM. KHALID TOLD THE KHARTOUM DAILY THAT " NUMEROUS CONTACTS ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE CAPITOL AS A RESULT OF THE MESSAGE." HE SAID HE HAS DISCUSSED THE MESSAGE WITH ALGERIAN AND EGYPTIAN AMBASSADORS.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH PRESIDENT NIMAIRI' S MESSAGE, AL AYAM REPORTS THAT SUDANESE AMBASSADOR TO CAIRO, MOHAMMED MIRGHANI, HAS BEEN RECALLED FOR DISCUSSIONS IN KHARTOUM WITH KHALID CONCERNING ARAB LEAGUE REACTIONS TO BSO OPERATION HERE.

3. THERE WILL BE NO RPT NO EFFECT ON " THE GOOD RELATIONS PREVAILING BETWEEN SUDAN AND U. S. AS RESULT OF THE BSO OPERATION," ACCORDING TO SYD. ABDEL RAHMAN ABDULLA, MINPUBSERVICE AND ADMINREFORM, WHO MET WITH PRESIDENT NIXON IN WASHINGTON, AL AYAM REPORTS TODAY. ABDULLA SAID PRESIDENT NIXON

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WAS INFORMED THAT " JUSTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE INCIDENT
WITHOUT ANY INTERVENTION OF PRESSURE FROM ANY SOURCE."

4. ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY SUDAN STANDARD TODAY REPORTED IT IS
PAPER' S UNDERSTANDING THAT TRIAL OF BSO EIGHT ON FOUR CHARGES,
INCLUDING MURDER, WILL GET UNDERWAY " WITHIN TEN DAYS."

5. BBC BROADCAST YESTERDAY THAT SYD. ABDEL- LATIF ABU- HIJLA,
CHIEF OF PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION' S (PLO) OFFICE IN
KHARTOUM LEFT YESTERDAY FOR CAIRO. GOS OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN,
OMAR HAJ MOUSA, HAD PREVIOUSLY DENIED GOS ARREST OF ABU HIJLA.

6. AL- SAHAFI' S CORRESPONDENT REPORTED FROM KASSALA THAT
WORKERS STAGED A " BIG DEMONSTRATION" THERE, SUPPORTING
PRESIDENT NIMAIRI' S SPEECH ON RECENT INCIDENT AND
CONDEMNING PLOT WHICH OCCURRED AT THE SAUDI EMBASSY IN KHARTOUM.
SHOUTING, THE WORKERS DEMANDED DEATH FOR THE PLOTTERS.

7. AL- SAHAFI REPORTED, QUOTING AP, THAT FATAH ORGANIZATION
HAS THREATENED TO ASSASSINATE ANY ARAB LEADER WHO ACCEPTS
PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT WITH ISRAEL.
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